

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1530

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AIRPORTS UNDER AAI

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the airports in the country developed and maintained by the Airports Authority of India (AAI), State/ UT-wise;
- (b) whether certain airports under AAI are non-operational and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to start direct air service between Rajkot and Delhi and if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri G. M. Siddeshwara)

- (a): Details of the airports maintained by Airports Authority of India (AAI) are at Annexure-I.
- (b): Yes, Madam. Details in this regard are at Annexure-II. Operationalisation of airports depends upon various factors like traffic demand and commercial interest indicated by airlines, adequacy of runway length, availability of land for further expansion of the airport etc.
- (c): It is up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability while complying with Route Dispersion Guidelines. No request from any schedule airline operator has been received in AAI indicating their interest for commencement of flights between Rajkot and Delhi.